

APPENDIX ONE

OPEN HOUSE RESULTS

On June 18th, 2015 approximately 43 people participated in an open house meeting. The Agenda consisted of a brief summary of the history of the planning process for Presentin Park and a presentation of a potential fish enhancement project that could be done in the park. After presentations comments and questions were taken in the whole group. After this Q and A time, participants were encouraged to speak with staff and each other regarding what was working and what may be different for the various aspects of the park and document their comments on one of 3 display boards presented.

On July 27th, 2016 approximately 25 people participated in the second open house meeting. The Agenda consisted of a brief summary of the first meeting, an update to the fish enhancement project, and a the first public presentation of an updated masterplan for Presentin Park. The floor was then opened for comments and questions. After this Q and A time, participants were encouraged to speak with staff and each other regarding what people liked and did not like regarding the preliminary masterplan. Comments were posted for all to see on a display board.

Overall Comments and Questions – June 18th 2015

Future Planning – would like to see at Park:

- Parking Area
- Playground
- Interpretive signs
- Tent camping sites for bicycle or motorcycle in
- Eagle Watching opportunities
- Keep green space on Hwy 20
- Upgrade entrance – more visible
- Support for fish enhancement

Future Planning – Would NOT like to see

- Clearing of treed corridor

Other Comments:

- Parking at Shell is problematic with parking on septic system occurring
- Bathroom use at Shell is very high from Hwy 20 users
- Need a pedestrian component to bridge over Skagit toward boat launch
- Make a Rest Stop like Raney Pass

Summary: Strong appreciation of Presentin Park.

Written Comments and Questions placed on Display Boards – June 18th 2015

Future Planning – would like to see:

- Picnic Tables
- Interpretive signs about Salmon
- Road Signs advertising the park for vehicle use
- Public Restrooms
- Parking for park users
- Eagle Viewing areas
- Trail access from east side of park
- Keep parking at extreme east or west side of park (House or Shell)
- Road signs advertising picnic area
- Bank access for fishing
- 3 bridges across fish enhancement project
- More Trail access

Future Planning – Would NOT like to see

- RV Development
- Do not want to see clearing of trees on main hwy 20 corridor

Summary: Strong appreciation of trail use. Support of fish enhancement and interpretive elements. Strong desire to communicate park presence with hwy 20 drivers.

Overall Comments and Questions – July 27th 2015

Comments on Draft Masterplan:

- Please recognize and respect Warren’s history as the packer up here and his wish to save his homestead as an equestrian camp. There are NO stopping spots (“layovers”) for equines between the Methow and I-5, and it is much needed. Thank you, Christie Fairchild (gvmules@gmail.com)
- Horse Camps! Art Olson (853-8388)
- Please give heed to Christie Fairchild’s Comments RE: Accommodating horse layovers—that would be a good add! --Don Smith
- Use house for artifacts, history info center...
- Comments came to me while at a program @NCI with kids—staff who work there wondered where they could go—a Pressentin Park place!!
- Marblemount History artifacts, etc would be awesome—National Park has artifacts, history too—maybe could work together. Mary Jaude
- Large area for parking camping facilities. 24/7 security. Artifacts museum. Visitors center
- Parking is key! Also, do not let DOT raised barriers to safe access. May need political push. But worth it.
- Consider human-powered watercraft accessibility. This may be a possible opportunity in area of potential acquisition.
- Please consider the donor’s wishes and respect equestrian services potential.
- “ADA” quality of trail construction also supports better emergency access such as medical evacuation. I would suggest more trails developed to that standard.
- The open/dispersed camping in the proposed acquisition area will likely require temporary port-a-potty services during times of high use. This may require improvements of service trails.

Summary: General Support of plan. Desire to fold in equestrian use. Desire to have historical/interpretive element at park, possibly in home. Support of fish enhancement and interpretive elements.